

Where Shoppers Do Best

We are ready for the Christmas trade, and believe that we can supply your wants at the most reasonable price.

Groceries

We have a complete up-to-the-minute line of Groceries and can fill any of your Xmas wants in this line, and save you money.

Bargains For All

We have a big bazaar line that must be closed out to make room for our Grocery department. We can give you some big bargains in this department.

Call and let us show you.

Crampton's Grocery

SILO SILO SILO

The Ross Metal

AND

All Kinds of Wood

R. M. HYDE

Both Phones. Agent. ALMA

We Welcome Our Patrons

Visit us and see our line of

Confectionery and Fruits

As in preceeding years we will offer to our customers the best quality and price.

We will offer a

Special Candy at Special Price.

We are making a specialty of

Home Made Candy

We also carry a large line of

Fruits and Nuts

Fresh Roasted Peanuts Daily.

Don't Watch next week's adv.

Luchini Bros.

The Alma Record \$1.00

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Miss Pearl Silver of Greenville is visiting with relatives in Alma this week.

Karl Adams of the Alma State Savings Bank is on the sick list this week.

Our popular county clerk, Bernard Case of Ithaca was an Alma caller last Monday.

Mrs. Della Retherford, 109 W. Downie, is entertaining her sister of Brighthurst, Indiana.

G. V. Wright can tell you how you can earn a fifty-piece blue bird dinner set for Christmas.

Notice—All barber shops in the city will be closed all day Christmas and New Year. Alma Barbers. 69-11-c.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson are visiting at the home of the latter's parents in Vestaburg today.

R. B. Wagner, Secretary of the Gratiot County Gas Co., spent Sunday in Grand Rapids with his parents.

R. B. Wagner was in Lansing Wednesday on business before the State Railroad Commissioners.

Word from New Orleans is to the effect that Alberta Dunham is recovering rapidly from her recent operation.

Will the young lady who called at the Record office some days ago applying for a position please call again.

Ten per cent discount on a fifty piece blue bird dinner set given for fifty dollars cash sales at G. V. Wright's. 69-11-c.

Mrs. S. A. Olect left Thursday morning for Detroit, where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. George W. Bates.

It is reported that the condition of Mrs. James G. Kress is about the same, and that she may be forced to undergo another operation.

Mrs. Hiram Utley underwent an operation for cancer of the stomach last week and at this writing is in a very dangerous condition.

E. J. Wagner, Manager of the Gratiot County Gas Co. spent Sunday at Mt. Pleasant the guest of N. J. Brown, President of the Isabella Co. Gas Co.

Clarence Clark, one of Arcadia township's most popular farmers, is building a new tenant house on his farm, which is known as the John Innis farm.

Miss Ruth Kanhel of the Republic Motor Truck Company, left the latter part of last week for Big Rapids, where she has accepted a position in a bank there.

P. W. Creaser, Alma real estate agent sold thirteen residence lots on Tuesday of this week, which is traveling some, even for the bustling little city of Alma.

R. R. Sawyer of Shepherd has purchased the Joe Kemp residence on Grant Avenue, the consideration being \$2,200. The deal was consummated by Fred Rowland.

G. V. Wright left Wednesday for Grand Rapids and returned late today with his new motor hearse, the body of which was built in the furniture city, on a Republic chassis.

Mr. and Mrs. Cary Carr of Ann Arbor, both former residents of this city, on Wednesday, December 6th. They say that "Cary" is wearing a big smile since the eventful day.

Married, at the home of Elder A. Mudge, December 2nd, Miss Lena Geley of Sumner and John Wieglesworth of this city. Mr. Wieglesworth is an employee at the Republic plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Allen, formerly of this city, but now of Saginaw, are the proud parents of a seven and a half pound girl born last Saturday. She is known as Prudence Ruth Allen.

Many of the store windows in Alma have already been decorated for the holidays and are wearing a neat and cheerful appearance. The rest will probably be trimmed up before the week is over.

C. W. Reemtsma of Des Moines, Iowa, will move to Alma after the holidays with his family. He is one of the parties interested in the proposed new factory. He believes Alma to be a near approach to the ideal city.

Dan Goggin returned Wednesday from a week's visit with friends in Detroit and Toronto, Canada. Mr. Goggin reports that owing to the war financial affairs in Canada are very stringent.

This week's issue of the Weekly Almoner, the Alma college student paper, known as the co-ed edition, shows that the young ladies of the college would make "fair" editors. The paper was full of good live college news, and well edited.

A new player for the reed section of the Republic band has been secured from Galveston, Texas. A member of Creator's band, expected here last month has been delayed because of serious illness, but is expected to be here before long.

Minute cleanser. What is it? It's a dish washer, either electric or hand turned. It's a wonder. It will please mother and what helps mother helps the whole family. Investigate it, before you plan your Christmas. G. V. Wright's furniture store. 69-11-c.

The plumbing firm of Walther's & Woodland has moved its place of business from the Redman block at the corner of East Superior and Gratiot, to the rear of the Alma State Savings Bank building to the room formerly used by the Tom Mayes, shoe shop.

At the regular meeting of the local Masonic lodge last week the following officers were elected for the coming year: W. M.—Earl Parker, S. W.—Ray Tomlin, J. W.—Howard Lake, S. D.—Orville Allen, J. D.—Merrill Stuckey, treasurer—A. J. Archer, secretary—J. E. Fuller, tyler—Evert Seig.

The First State Bank has issued a most attractive art calendar for the year 1917. Six sheets carry the calendar of two months each, and each contains an attractive cut. The cuts used are of the bank, Alma high school, Alma college, the Republic plant, Alma Grain & Lumber Company with the Union school and Alma plant of the Michigan Sugar Company in the distance, and the Michigan Masonic home.

OFFICIAL CANVASS

State's Official Canvass Shows Interesting Figures

The official canvass of the state, which has just been completed shows that the republicans and the dry issue carried the state by great majorities.

Charles Evans Hughes, republican nominee for president, received a plurality over Wilson in Michigan of 52,323. Sleeper's plurality for governor and that of Dickinson for lieutenant governor were over 99,000.

Townsend, seeking re-election for United States congressman, received 106,703, and led the republican ticket in Michigan. Fordney was re-elected with a plurality of 4,596 in the eighth congressional district in which Gratiot county is located.

The dry issue rolled up a vote of 353,378 in favor of prohibition, while the wets secured a vote of 284,754, giving Michigan to the dries by a majority of 68,624.

SOULE A DIRECTOR

Contractor Elected Director of First State Bank

At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank of this city, Henry Soule was elected as a director of the bank, to succeed the late G. S. Ward, whose death left a vacancy in the list of directors.

Mr. Soule is a well known Alma contractor, and a man of high responsibility and his choice as a director of the First State Bank is believed by the officials of the bank to be an excellent one. Mr. Soule has resided in Alma practically all of his life, and is known by nearly every citizen of Alma as a trust worthy resident of the city.

ADDING TO PLANT

Home Lumber and Fuel Company Will Have New Building

Work is rapidly progressing on a new two story frame building, which is being constructed for the Home Lumber and Fuel Company, which will make a fine addition to the plant that this company has in Alma.

The new structure will be two stories in height 60 by 80 feet and will be used for sash, door and finishing building. It is being built just to the south of the present office building, on the banks of Pine river.

LOSES HIS ROLL

Thomas Grover, who left a few days ago for Berlin, Ontario, was relieved of a roll amounting to \$168.00, either at Durand or shortly after he boarded a train out of that station. It seems that Grover, who was loaded down with two suitcases, tapped the outside of his coat, just before boarding the train to make sure that he had his pocket book. Someone, evidently saw this and got the idea that Grover had a few dollars tucked away and in the jam at the station, relieved the Alma man of his money.

NOTICE

The City Treasurer's office will be open every day until Jan. 10th for the collection of taxes.

C. R. Murphy, City Treas. 69-21-c.

Mrs. R. H. Brown was a guest of Saginaw friends over the week end.

Special for Xmas

For your Christmas Trees, Greens and Cut Flowers call

East Side Green House

or

RUSSELL NUMMER

Both Phones at Greenhouse

It's just what I wanted

Will be joyously spoken if you choose a gift from me.

Every woman loves to receive gifts for Christmas that combine beauty with utility.

Here is a Suggestion:—There is nothing that appeals to a woman like a stunning gown. In these you will find my selections of Suits, Dresses, Skirts, Waists and Party Gowns up to the letter.

EDNA KELLY
Four Two Seven W. Superior
ALMA, MICH.



G. B. PORTER
REGISTERED
OPTOMETRIST

Fine Watch Work a Specialty
State Street, Second Door South of
Ellison's Grocery

Ellison's Grocery

We will sell during the next ten days for cash only **Granulated Sugar at 7 1-2c** with an equal purchase of other groceries.

What would be more appreciated by Mother, Sister, Aunt or other friend for Xmas than a nice basket of selected Groceries and Fruits, values **\$1.00 to \$1.50**

Gold Medal Flour, 24 1/2 sack	\$1.25
Arcada Flour, 24 1/2 sack	1.20
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Cranberries, extra fancy, late Howes, per quart	12c

Macaroni, Spaghetti and Vermicelli, per package 10c
8 packages for 25c

Pineapple Libby Brand, per can 25c, 18c and 10c

Catsup, Monarch Brand, per bottle 20c
per dozen \$2.00

Chili Sauce, per bottle 15c and 30c

Show You Sauce for Making Chop Suey, per bottle 25c

Rice, fancy Carolina Head, per pound 9c
3 pounds for 25c

Rice, Blue Rose Head, per pound 7c
4 pounds for 25c

Rice, good quality, broken, per pound 5c
11 pounds for 50c

Beans, dry Limas, per pound 12c

Mince Meat, package 10c
3 packages for 25c

Xmas Trees, Holly and Wreathes, Ground Pine, Lettuce, Radishes, Celery, Cucumbers and Parsley.

Salmon, all grades, per can 12c, 15c, 20c and 25c

Olives, stuffed, per bottle 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 50c

Galvanic Soap, 6 bars for 25c

Olive Oil, Sylmar Brand, bottles 25c, 50c and 75c
quart tins, each \$1.00
gallon cans, each \$3.25

Campbell's Soup, all varieties, per can 10c

Kellogg's Corn Flakes, package 10c
3 packages for 25c

Red Raspberries, Blackberries, Strawberries and Blueberries, per can 15c

Tzar Coffee, very fine value, per pound 35c
3 pounds for \$1.00

Nero Coffee, best in the city, at the low price, per pound 25c

White House Coffee, per pound 35c
3 pounds for \$1.00

Nuts, Dates, Figs, Table Raisins, Apples, Oranges, Grapes, Fruit, Oysters, etc.

This Store will close evenings, beginning January 1, at 6 p. m. except Saturdays and pay days.

Ellison's Grocery

Fine Christmas Candies

DE LUXE CHOCOLATES



When they think of the famous De Luxe Chocolates, they think of quality. When they dream about them, a smile comes upon their faces. A famous home made product that pleases one and all.

Candy Canes

All kinds of Candy Canes with all the popular flavors.

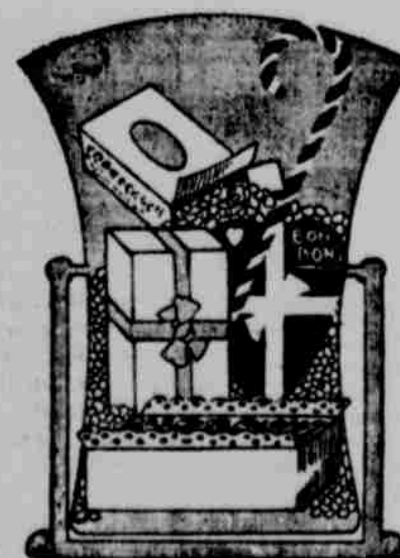
These will please both the young and old.

Ribbon Candy Special

We are making a fine grade of our famous Ribbon Candies for the Christmas trade. This Candy is a winner, quality and price considered.



ALL KINDS OF XMAS CANDIES



We have many kinds and varieties of candies for the Christmas trade, all of them coming up to the Le Luxe Standard of excellence. The one place where all kinds of Christmas candies may be secured. Quality and low prices are what makes our candies sell so rapidly. Try them just once and see for yourself.

THE DE LUXE CANDY CO.

325 S. State.

ALMA, MICH.